

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Vandalia Branch Library in Vandalia, Missouri, which is celebrating fifty years at its current location in October of 2007; and

Whereas, the first Vandalia Library was organized in April of 1911 by Mrs. Lily Frost and members of the Cosmos Club, and was located on the second floor at 106 N. Main before relocating to the high school and being absorbed into the school system; and

Whereas, through local clubs and organizations, a Library trust fund was established and a county wide election was held in 1953 which resulted in the beginning of the current library district; and

Whereas, located in two rooms at the rear of the Vandalia State Bank, the Vandalia Branch Library opened for part-time service in November of 1953, and with the completion of the community building in 1957 the library was able to assume occupancy of the upper floor; and

Whereas, a renovation projecting including fresh paint, new carpet, and a display case purchased with money donated for a memorial to Henry Barnes was completed in 1990; and

Whereas, a large donation was given to the Vandalia Branch Library by Margaret Jordan in July of 2004 and the Library, Recreation Board, and the City of Vandalia came to an agreement to let the library expand to the lower level; and

Whereas, the children's books were moved to the lower level on October 14, 2004, making way for the library staff to create more room for adult books; and

Whereas, a memorable celebration and open house marking the completion of the 2004 remodeling project was held November 9, 2004:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the Vandalia Branch Library upon this very special anniversary event; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Vandalia Branch Library.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker